



**1159th meeting of the
Pacific Coast Numismatic Society**
7:30PM Wednesday November 28, 2012
Building C, Fort Mason
San Francisco, California

**Sheep Shearing in the
South West and its
Numismatic Connection**

Federico Castillo

1158th meeting, October 24, 2012

Michael Wehner presented his talk, **Coins, tokens and medals of the Panama Pacific International Exposition.**

Michael brought a good selection of medals for inspection and discussion and members complemented his talk with their own contributions. Michael and Dan each had examples of one unusual award medal, both presented to organizations. Bill remembered that another example was presented to the American Numismatic Association after holding their annual convention in honor of the exposition. That information would seem to confirm their speculation that it was a specialized medal for organizations as opposed to exhibitors.



The award medal picture appeared in the October 1915 issue of *The Numismatist*. The text indicated the medal was made by Shreve & Co. and that the medal was presented to all societies holding their conventions in the city during the exposition.

Exhibits included:

Scott shared a Peru 1826 2 Reales and a 1917 5 Centimes NGC SP 66 from the Belgian Congo. The latter coin took a decade to find and many specialists in the field have never seen one.

Lance brought a Franklin half dollar folded into a ring, a silver American Prospector medal from Engelhard, and a St. Christopher medal.

Whalen brought a Coins Magazine article about the work of George

Morgan and shared several examples of his U.S. coins including the \$2 ½ commemorative gold piece from the 1915 exposition.

Glen exhibited a Meiggs Peruvian railroad bronze medal, a south Peruvian 4 reales from 1838, and an Austrian 5 corona 1908 60th year of reign commemorative.

Bill shared a celluloid Liberty Bell button, and elongated cent, and a trade token from the 1915 Exposition. In addition, he exhibited a muled store card from Chicago showing a an 1893 obverse die from a Chicago bank and a California State Seal obverse die from an 1894 California Midwinter Fair souvenir.

Dan shared an 1893 Columbian Exposition medal with an encased entrance ticket, a large Toivo Johnson Maine 325th anniversary medal, and a 1915 PPIE medal awarded to organizations participating in the exposition. He also brought a book on Russian medals printed in Russian and English.

Ed brought the 2012 American Eagle silver two coin set issued by the San Francisco mint.

Stephen shared examples of the PCNS anniversary medals from the PCNS archives.

Herb shared a German shellcard likely produced for the PPIE exposition.

Raffle Prizes:

Whalen won a PPIE Lord's Prayer medal, a H&K 414 so-called dollar, and a Prince William medal.

Ed won a PPIE elongated cent featuring the Tower of Jewels.

Glen won a PPIE zodiac medal.

Lance won a PPIE Novagem token.

New Member:

Scott Chandler applied for membership.

2012 meeting Schedule:

Annual Potluck: December 26, 2012: Building C, Fort Mason

PCNS 100th Anniversary Medal Designs Sought

The Board of Directors is soliciting medal designs for our proposed 100th Anniversary Medal. Anyone can contribute their ideas and the person submitting the winning design idea will receive an example of the medal when it is issued. Please send your design to PCNS, P.O. Box 475656, San Francisco, CA 94147-5656. The PCNS logo will occupy one side.

Past PCNS Anniversary Medals:



Dues: It is time to think about paying your dues for 2013. Dues are \$20 to help support the oldest numismatic organization in the West! Cash or checks are welcome at the November or December meeting. Or, you can mail your check to:

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